IN THE CLAIMS:

1-22. (canceled)

23. (currently amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a central stage;

a movable frame disposed around the central stage; and

a fixed frame disposed around the movable frame, the central stage coupled to the movable frame with a first flexure and a second flexure, the movable frame coupled to the fixed frame with a third flexure and a fourth flexure, each of the first and second flexures comprising two or more torsion beams, wherein the central stage and the movable frame are capable of decoupled motion-;

a first blade coupled to a bottom of the central stage, the first blade residing beneath a bottom plane of the central stage and extending perpendicularly from the bottom plane of the central stage;

a second blade coupled to a bottom of the movable stage, the second blade residing beneath a bottom plane of the movable stage and extending perpendicularly from the bottom plane of the central stage.

24. (canceled)

25. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the central stage and the movable frame each have a surface and wherein the apparatus further comprises:

a first blade coupled to the central stage, the first blade extending perpendicular from the surface of the central stage; and

a second blade coupled to the movable frame, the second blade extending perpendicular from the surface of the movable frame, the second blade and the first blade havinghave a substantially constant gap between them in an actuation direction.

26. (canceled)

- 27. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 265, wherein the first blade is configured to move relative to the second blade along a range and wherein thea distance between the first blade and the second blade is maintained substantially constant throughout the range of motion.
- 28. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 23, wherein the movable frame is pivotally coupled to the central stage using the first and second flexures.
- 29. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 28, wherein the fixed frame forms a cavity and wherein the third and fourth flexures suspend the movable frame in the cavity.
- 30. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 23, wherein the movable frame comprises:

a main body coupled to the third flexure;

an end bar coupled to the first flexure; and a support member coupled between the main body and the end bar.

31. (original) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein the support member is coupled to the main body at a non-perpendicular angle.

32-105. (canceled)

106. (previously presented) An apparatus, comprising:

a central stage;

a movable frame disposed around the central stage; and

a fixed frame disposed around the movable frame, the central stage coupled to the movable frame with a first flexure, the movable frame coupled to the fixed frame with a second flexure, the first flexure comprising a first plurality of torsion beams, wherein the central stage and the movable frame are capable of decoupled motion, wherein the movable frame comprises:

a main body coupled to the second flexure;

an end bar coupled to the first flexure; and

a support member coupled between the main body and the end bar, wherein the support member is constructed from a material of differing expansion than a material of the main body.

107-119. (canceled)

- 120. (new) The apparatus of claim 23, wherein the first, second, third, and fourth flexures each comprise a pair of torsion beams.
- 121. (new) The apparatus of claim 23, wherein the first, second, third, and fourth flexures each comprise a pair of parallel torsion beams